

begin. This technology has helped a wide range of industries including real estate, multi-family housing; professional services; automotive; business-to-business; human resources, local, state and federal entities; and financial or lending institutions.

BlueInk is currently being used by companies and consumers across the United States and this fast growing, innovative company has offices in New Mexico and Arizona. On May 3, 2017, their technology was approved by the U.S. Patent Office. I applaud the ingenuity, tenacity and forward thinking of the founders and their staff members, and I look forward to seeing how this next generation eSignature software will change the face of business.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF FALL-
EN MISSISSIPPI MARINE U.S.
MARINE LANCE CORPORAL
(LCPL) MARC LUCAS TUCKER

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I am humbled to rise today in memory of U.S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal (LCpl) Marc Lucas Tucker who was killed on June 8, 2005, during Operation Iraqi Freedom. LCpl Tucker died in a non-hostile vehicle accident on Alternate Supply Route Uranium, Iraq.

LCpl Tucker, a Pontotoc native and 1999 South Pontotoc High School graduate, was assigned to the 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa, Japan, attached to 2nd Force Service Support Group (FSSG), II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward).

LCpl Tucker's mother, Donna Bagwell, says her son wanted to be a Marine from the time he was a little boy. He wanted to follow in the footsteps of his grandfather who also served in the Marine Corps.

In 2003, LCpl Tucker enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. His service included training in Okinawa and South Korea in the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ).

In 2005, LCpl Tucker volunteered to go to Iraq to protect our nation in Operation Iraqi Freedom. His death was hard on the family, but Mrs. Bagwell says her son wanted to serve our nation.

"He loved America," Mrs. Bagwell said. "He loved the Marine Corps and everything about it."

LCpl Tucker's awards include the Combat Action Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, and Sea Service Ribbon.

LCpl Tucker is survived by his parents; Kelly Tucker and Donna Bagwell and siblings; Christy Irby, Pam Bolen, and Terry Bagwell.

LCpl Tucker lived to serve our country and died while protecting it. His devotion to protecting our freedoms will not be forgotten.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID
SHTULMAN FOR HIS WORK AS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREAT-
ER ANN ARBOR

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize David Shtulman for his work with the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor. As the Federation's Executive Director for the past nine years, Mr. Shtulman has helped the organization grow and develop to meet the needs of the Ann Arbor community.

Founded in 1987, the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor serves as a forum to initiate and coordinate activities that foster Jewish communal life while promoting social justice. The organization hosts a variety of events throughout the community, including public forums discussing local and national events, as well as dinners and community gathering events. Additionally, the Federation administers the Jewish Community Foundation, a fund that provides assistance to local groups that further the organization's mission. Since 2008, Mr. Shtulman has served as the organization's Executive Director and has played a crucial role in the Federation's success during his tenure.

Throughout his time as Executive Director, Mr. Shtulman has provided important guidance for the staff and members of the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor. Under his leadership, the size of the Jewish Community Foundation has grown substantially, allowing the organization to fund Hillel programs in the community in addition to family services and supports. As a result, the Federation was able to allocate over \$1.5 million to local, state and national organizations in the year 2015. Mr. Shtulman has also championed youth exchange initiatives as well as Hillel programs at the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University. His principled leadership and passion for helping the Jewish community have helped it grow stronger, and he will be missed as he retires as Executive Director next month.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring David Shtulman for his outstanding work as Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor. Mr. Shtulman has provided important aid to the Jewish community through his leadership and efforts.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIVITY OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
CHURCH

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Media, Pennsylvania as it celebrates its 150th Anniversary on September 8, 2018.

In 1868, Father Henry Wright became the first pastor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mary Church. As Media grew, the parish school opened its doors in 1912 and soon served many families.

In the last 25 years, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church has continued to grow and adopted the motto: The Helping Hands of Christ. The growth and development of the church's many ministries are a testament to this motto. Its many services include the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which provides shelter to the poor of Media, feeding the poor at the St. Francis Soup Kitchen monthly, collecting clothes for St. John's hospice, making rosaries for those imprisoned, knitting baby caps for premature births, and traveling on mission trips to St. Croix to aid a sister parish.

While the number of parishioners has grown immensely in the last one hundred and fifty years, the church's facilities and staff have kept pace. Most recently, the parish center has been refurbished and they have also added a youth Minister to their staff to develop ongoing spiritual endeavors for the children of the parish.

Mr. Speaker, we are grateful to the work of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, its parishioners, and Father Ed Bell, and I hope the church will continue to grow and thrive.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today regarding missed votes due to family matters. Had I been present for Roll Call vote number 271, Ordering the Previous Question on H. Res. 348, Providing for consideration of H.R. 953, the Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act of 2017, I would have voted Yea. Had I been present for Roll Call vote number 272, H. Res. 348, The Rule providing for consideration of the bill H.R. 953—Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act of 2017, I would have voted Yea. Had I been present for Roll Call vote number 273, H.R. 2288, The Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017, I would have voted Yea.

CONGRATULATING TALIAFERRO
COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION

HON. JODY B. HICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Taliaferro County Family Connection, a nonprofit organization that advocates for children and families in northeast Georgia. Under the leadership of Executive Director Jackie Butts, Taliaferro Family Connection, in collaboration with its community partners, has achieved remarkable results.

For example, they developed and implemented a plan to tackle teen pregnancy, which had previously been on the rise. Now the rate is 42 percent lower. When they strategized to reduce truancy, within three years, the number of students absent from school more than ten days declined by 23 percent. And as a result